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Left Wing Urges Early Election

London, May 3.—Sections of the Government's Left wing, following in Parliament the Prime Minister, Mr. Clement Attlee, should end his Government, which has an overall majority of only six in Parliament, by proclaiming general elections within the next few months.

They consider that the day-to-day tactics forced upon the Labour Government by its lack of an effective Parliamentary majority is doing increasing harm to their Party's prestige with the electorate. They are hopeful that in a fresh appeal to the country Labour might be returned with a stronger mandate.

A popular view is that the Government must keep in office to retain the initiative until it can seize the psychological moment to hold an election.—Reuter.

PREMIER'S ARREST IN MACASSAR

Djakarta, May 3.—The Prime Minister, Dr. Djuanda of East Indonesia and some of his Ministers were arrested in Macassar today on suspicion of complicity in the revolt there against the Indonesian Federal Government last month, according to the Indonesian news agency, Antara.

East Indonesian troops led by 26-year-old Captain Andi Abdul Asis, a former British paratrooper, revolted at Macassar on April 5 to prevent the landing of Indonesian Federal troops.

At the time of the coup, Dr. Djuanda said in a broadcast that his Government "reticently" armed action and in no way supported it.

The insurgent troops were in control in Macassar until April 20.

Five days later the East Indonesian Parliament adopted a motion by 49 votes to one urging the resignation of the present Cabinet.—Reuter.

COMMONWEALTH GROPE IN VACUUM ON JAPAN TREATY

Anxious For Well-Defined Policy From America

London, May 3.—The Commonwealth Consultative Committee resumed its exploratory work on the Japanese peace treaty today and reliable observers reported "slow progress."

After meeting for two and a half hours today, the chances of the Committee being able to reach any precise conclusions were said to appear increasingly doubtful. However, it was still hoped a "report" would emerge from the series of meetings, which may continue for three weeks.

This did not mean the Commonwealth delegations would be in agreement on the form and scope of the Japanese treaty, but simply that the delegations would have clarified their minds on certain points and had their views embodied in the report which would be submitted to the respective Commonwealth governments. In the absence of a U.S. draft treaty, the Commonwealth Committee felt as though it were "working in a vacuum," reliable sources said.

The Asiatic delegations were said to be presenting the Consultative Committee with difficulties in certain aspects of the Japanese treaty proposals related to Japan's position in Asia's economy and security.

Observers said India, Pakistan and Ceylon seemed still to be influenced with the pre-war Japanese dictum of an Asiatic "co-prosperity sphere" and desired to fit Japan into a framework of agreements beneficial to Asia but detrimental to Australia and New Zealand.

Opinion also was divided on the question of signers of an eventual Japanese peace treaty. The Asiatic delegations were said to be firm in their opposition to the Western nations making a separate treaty with Japan, which they believed would compete Russia and Communist China for their own separate treaty and most assuredly draw Japan within the Communist orbit.

It was observed, however, that India had not yet expressed any opposition to United

States retention of military bases in Japan. Australia was said to be standing firm in the contention that guarantees of a disarmed and neutralized Japan must be written into the peace treaty.

RAISED EYEBROWS
Britain's view that the United States should be left to decide whether Japan should in any way be militarized has caused some raised eyebrows among the Australian delegation, who have referred this special point to Mr. Percy Spender, Minister for Foreign Affairs.—United Press.

ACHESON DEFINES BIG THREE OBJECTIVES

Washington, May 3.—The Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Acheson, said today that the Big Three Foreign Ministers, meeting in London, this month would discuss needed steps for the general strengthening of the West.

Mr. Acheson was asked at his weekly press conference to outline his hopes for results from the meeting in London of the Foreign Ministers of Britain, France and the United States and of the Council of the North Atlantic Powers.

Mr. Acheson said that the three Foreign Ministers would be brought into line on various matters and what steps were needed to be taken for the general strengthening of the West.

Mr. Acheson said that the Foreign Ministers would discuss the whole situation in the world as it had developed since the last meeting in Paris in November. He said that the agenda both of the Big Three meeting and of the North Atlantic Council would not be defined until the Foreign Ministers themselves met.—Reuter.

MR. BEVIN'S PLANS
London, May 3.—The Foreign Office announced today that the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin, would "delicately" be available for the Big-Three Foreign Ministers' discussions in London next week.

Mr. Bevin, who was scheduled to leave hospital early last week, following an operation, has been detained longer than originally expected. The exact date of his release is not yet established, the Foreign Office spokesman said.

Mr. Bevin has started to acquaint himself with the Big-Three agenda and with the preliminary moves presently being made by top-level American, British and French officials in London.—United Press.

Washington, May 3.—Mr. Dean Acheson, Secretary of State, replying to a press conference question, said today that the Netherlands and other interested countries will be kept informed on the three power talks on Germany.—United Press.

British Trawler Seized

London, May 3.—The British Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries stated today that the British trawler *Etrura* was seized by a Russian naval vessel on May 1.

The owners of the trawler, the Standard Steam Fishing Company of Grimsby, said it had been boarded by a Russian crew and taken to Murmansk. The trawler left Grimsby on April 19 with a crew of 20, bound for the White Sea.—Reuter.

Hyde Park Winter Comes



This snowy scene was taken in Hyde Park on April 25, giving a mild Winter effect to the landscape. Later the sun came out.

Desperate Fight With Flood Peril

Winnipeg, May 3.—Soldiers, sailors and civilian volunteers worked desperately today to build more dykes in an attempt to stem the rising flood waters of the rampaging Red River.

The crest already had poured over Emerson, 70 miles southward, and was reported to be nearing the small town of Morris, between here and the United States border. An inch more of rain was predicted before tonight and this was expected to speed the crest to reach Winnipeg some time tomorrow.

Light rain has been falling here since yesterday afternoon. All along the river between here and the international border flood waters hit peaks higher than those of the destructive 1948. The level here stood at 23.9 feet above normal.—United Press.

Baruch On The Cold War

New York, May 3.—Bernard Baruch said today that "the cold war" is a mighty lie phrase but he cannot tell a lie—he did not invent it.

"Herbert Bayard Swowe gave it to me," the elder statesman said. "He coined it. He mentioned the phrase to me in 1946 and I used it in 1947."

"I used it in a speech and it caught on right away. I take the credit for giving it currency but did not coin it."

The white-haired adviser to Presidents was interviewed at his home on the occasion of receiving a "hearing advancement award" from the Hearing Foundation—a gold medal voted for him by 15,000 hard of hearing persons as "the man who has done the most to help the hard of hearing."

Baruch declined to discuss the national or international problems but when asked for comment on United Nations Secretary General Trygve Lie's projected Moscow visit, he said, "May the Lord be with him."—United Press.

PLANE SAFE

Call, Colombia, May 3.—Avianca Airways reported today that one of its planes, which had been missing since yesterday with 14 persons aboard, had made an emergency landing and all aboard were safe. It said the plane came down safely near Bahoyo, 45 miles northeast of Guayaquil, Ecuador.—United Press.

Italy Demands Big 3 Aid On Trieste: Reparations From Tito

Rome, May 3.—The Italian Prime Minister, Signor Alcide de Gasperi, today called on the United States, Britain and France for help in winning the return to Italy of the Free Territory of Trieste.

Speaking in the Senate, he energetically rejected the proposals made by Senators yesterday that Italy should withdraw from the Atlantic Pact and the Western lineup.

He reaffirmed the Italian Government's intention of working with the Western Powers for the establishment of peace and of seeking a solution to the Trieste problem within this framework.

But he demanded effective intervention by the three Western Allies to prevent the "B" Zone of the Free Territory of Trieste from being annexed by Yugoslavia.

"We ask nothing that could disturb the constructive work of the Allies for peace nor that which would affect the honour and interests of Yugoslavia."

The Prime Minister demonstrated the Italian Government's firm determination to hold the three Western Allies to their declaration of March, 1948, that the whole of Trieste should be returned to Italy.

Signor de Gasperi admitted that the Allied declaration carried no obligation of immediate action, since this was conditional upon the consent of Russia, the fourth signatory of the Italian peace treaty.

DEMANDS REPARATIONS

Amidst stormy applause, Signor de Gasperi announced that the Government had sent to all the Powers concerned, including Yugoslavia, full documentation of the campaign of violence carried out in the Yugoslav Zone of Trieste during the administrative elections on April 10.

"We demand justice and reparations," he declared. He also demanded the return to the Zone, with all guarantees of safety, of 147 Italians who have fled from the reprisals carried out against those who refused to vote.

Signor de Gasperi made no mention of Marshal Tito's two declarations last week, in which the Yugoslav Premier offered negotiations but on a basis which Italian spokesmen said was unacceptable.

This was that Trieste should be returned to Italy in exchange for the cession to Yugoslavia of the Italian town of Gorizia, further to the north.—Reuter.

TITO SPEECH

Belgrade, May 3.—Marshal Tito, the Yugoslav Premier, told former Italian partisans at a reception here last night that "no questions which have existed between Italy and us, or which still are outstanding, could trouble the good relations between our two countries."

The Marshal received 36 Italian partisans and representatives.

Tory Derision Over Ministers' Tour

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT

London, May 3.—There was some derision in the House of Commons today when the Colonial Secretary, Mr. James Griffiths, announced his visit with Mr. John Strachey to Malaya.

Particularly, the Conservatives laughed at the visit of Mr. Strachey, the Minister for War.

Mr. W. J. Fletcher immediately asked if the visiting Ministers would make two priorities.

First, he wanted a declaration that Britain would not clear out of Malaya.

Second, he wanted the Ministers to enquire whether Malaya would not be better under martial law.

This was received with scorn on the Labour benches. Mr. Griffiths regretted he had no time to travel to Hongkong during the Whitsun recess—he has to be back at the end of the recess in case of a snap division.

But Mr. Strachey will go on to Hongkong. Official circles comment that the Far East

Thailand Will Agree

Bangkok, May 3.—Ministerial sources said today that it was "considered likely" that Thailand would admit delegates of Communist China to attend the meeting of the United Nations Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East at Bangkok on May 16.—Reuter.

Refuse To Split Wives And Hubbies

Washington, May 3.—The Economic Co-operation Administration refused today to help split up husbands and wives and turned that knotty problem over to the British Colonial Office.

Involved is the touchy question of recruiting 60 United States geologists, chemist-assayers and topographical engineers for work in the colonies. Their respective spouses refuse to stay home.

The British Colonial Office has ruled that the jungles of Africa, Southeast Asia and British Guiana are no place for wives. Furthermore there are housing difficulties which prevent women chemist-assayers from taking their husbands along. As for topographical engineers, they live in tents in areas "uninhabitable for women" and they definitely "can't take their wives anywhere."

To add more red tape to the picture, the British policy stipulates that wives can join their husbands in colonial service only with the permission of territorial governors. In the present instance the waiting period due to housing shortages would be approximately six months. "Too long," the wives chorused almost unanimously.

The reluctance of American wives to remain at home while their husbands embark on overseas jobs, the ECA said in a solemn announcement, "has slowed up work on geological and topographical surveys in various British colonies." It added that it is "leaving the matter strictly up to the fairer sex and the British Colonial Office."—United Press.

UN Pilot Denies Israeli Version Of Incident

Cairo, May 3.—The United Nations plane, fired at by Israeli fighters, was flying in the regular air corridor to Cairo when intercepted and forced to land, the American crew said today.

A Tel-Aviv report said the plane was forced to land on Tuesday because it was flying outside the normal corridor for neutral craft. The DC-3 was permitted to continue after landing at Lydda.

The plane was enroute from Beirut, Lebanon, to Cairo with 12 passengers, mostly Americans, one of the crew said. Two Israeli air force F-31 Mustangs buzzed the plane several times, and then fired at least six bursts of machine gun fire.—United Press.

RED SPY RING SMASHED

Taipei, May 3.—Officials today confirmed that they arrested a Communist spy ring seeking to take over Formosa and arrested the ring leader, Hung Kuo-shih, Chinese Communist. Peking agent. Lists of names and cells were also seized.—United Press.

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Feathers And Plumes, Satins And Straws, For Spring



Seen above is a wide-brimmed black straw, designed by Erik, Paris, trimmed with velvet ribbon, and has turned-up brim.

Also designed by Erik, Paris, is this fitted black and white hat (at right) with a sideswept movement towards the right. It is worn with matching gloves.

THE MEANING OF "NO" TO A CHILD

By G. C. MYERS, Ph.D.

THE child who is healthy, has good routine habits, has learned the meaning of "No", the child with parents who act toward him as one, who are calm, self-controlled and consistent, who provide him with a family atmosphere of security and love, will rarely or never have tantrums.

As a rule, the child learns to have tantrums with increasing frequency because he has won his way by them. He begins this learning in his early weeks or months.

Teach yourself the meaning of "No". When you tell the infant or toddler he can't have what he wants and then, later, give it to him after he has cried, screamed and worked up a violent rage, you have practised him in having tantrums. If you are going to let the youngster have his way eventually, let him have it right away. The longer he battles to have his way the greater his victory when he finally wins.

Definite Routines

Work out a few definite routines for your baby or tot. You and your husband must agree on the few things this child must never do and many things he may properly do and will like to do and then let him alone. Have your physician check on him regularly.

Be generous with affection toward him when he is good. Be sure he feels he is loved and loved as much as is a brother or sister. Help him learn self-reliance, physically and emotionally, and to be with other children of his age after he can walk. Read to him, dramatise with him and enjoy his yams of fancy.

Out of such resources you can often divert him when he is about to have a tantrum and break down his resistance when he seems to be getting stubborn. You can avoid provoking rage in him if you will learn how to win his co-operation and not induce him, unawares, to be stubborn.

Emotional Adjustments

Give the tot time for emotional adjustment. Don't suddenly announce, for example, "No more," but say instead, "Just two more jumps."

If you could act wisely when the youngster has his first or nearly-first tantrum, application of a shock—a sharp smack on his bare bottom or dash of a glass of water in his face—might prove effective. But if it is the fifth, tenth or twentieth tantrum, such measure might only enrage the child more. A safer way is just to work on yourself and all other adults present to act as if nobody noticed the enraged youngster at all, making sure, of course, he does not get what is forbidden him. This is the hard way for the parent, since the good effect might not be manifest at once; yet it will work eventually if the parent can have perfect self-mastery.

If the tot in a rage endangers himself physically (some do) or attacks other persons or destroys property, a quick, effective spanking might be desirable—not for his being angry, but for his dangerous and destructive acts.



Proper Feeding Important Before An Operation

By H. N. BUNDESEN, M.D.

IT used to be thought that the patient undergoing serious operation fared better when kept on scanty rations both before and after his session with the surgeon.

Today, we know proper feeding of such patients is one of the biggest factors in speeding their recovery. It is of chief importance to supply enough protein, the material needed for rebuilding and repairing tissues. Proteins come from such foods as meat, milk, eggs, beans and peas and wholegrain cereals.

Amino Acids

Proteins are made up of substances known as amino acids. How much protein the patient needs following operation depends on how much has been lost before and during the operation and on the length of the recovery period. The greater the loss, the greater the need for replacing the protein in order to lessen the surgical risk and hasten recovery.

The value of the protein depends upon the kind of amino acid it contains. There are about ten amino acids which cannot be made in the body, and these must be supplied in the form of protein foods which contain them or by giving what are known as protein hydrolysates. These are proteins which have been broken down by chemical processes into amino acids and which can be given by mouth. One of the essential amino acids cannot be substituted for another.

Of course, other food substances are necessary in order that the proteins may be properly utilized. This includes minerals and vitamins. Even if only one of the necessary amino acids is lacking, there is interference in the formation of body tissues, despite the fact the other amino acids are adequately supplied.

There may be cases in which the patient is unable to take food. For example, there may be a tumour present which blocks the food passages, and an artificial opening in the small intestine may be required, into which the food may be placed.

Well-Balanced Diet

Presuming that the patient can eat, of course, he should be given a well-balanced diet containing the necessary protein foods. This can be supplemented by the giving of protein hydrolysates. However,

the product used should be one which supplies all of the necessary amino acids in the proper proportions.

The starchy foods, sugars, and fats will not aid in building the tissues but they must be employed so that the proteins will not be burned to supply energy but will be utilised for the tissue-rebuilding processes.

Attention to these matters of diet, both prior to and after operation, will do much to speed recovery.

Feminine Costume



By GRACE THORNCLEIFFE

TISSUE failure is the fabric of this dress that is feminine yet not fussy. It is geared for wear from late afternoon far into the night. The champagne colour is especially nice with navy accessories but also good with black and brown. The wide open collar crosses over to a double breasted closing. It is draped from the front closing to the side seams both above and below the waist.

By JOAN ERSKINE

London.

MONSIEUR Erik of Paris showed his spring collection of hats to an audience of distinguished private clients and press representatives, the guest of honour being Prince George of Denmark. The show was held in the white and gold ballroom of Claridges Hotel.

Although I tried to view these pieces of headgear with a critical eye, I must confess they went straight to our hearts—even if the price was a little too prohibitive for them to go to our heads.

A small orchestra played French songs as the mannequins walked on, two by two, wearing clothes chosen from the new mid-season collection of Hardy Amies. The dresses were mostly black, with many lace insets and tight skirts. To set off some hats, they carried some of the most exquisite fur wraps and stoles we have seen in years—the softest of silver grey mink, fluted-back cable capes, and ivory-white ermine.

Varied Styles

The styles were varied enough to give every woman hope. They were small and large, side-titled and forward-titled, fitting the head or perched on top. Erik said he wanted to make the days more colourful—he certainly succeeded. The colours used were mostly taken from spring and summer flowers, but also included many shades of natural, toast and caramel, and a surprising amount of Erik Green. This latter proved how successful a brilliant emerald green can be when worn as a single accessory. He teamed it with navy and white spot, black, and all shades of brown.

The materials used were lavish—exotic straws, coconut fibre, hand-plaited straw, leghorns, tie-silk, slipper satin, chiffon, grosgrain. Horsehair veiling was used extensively, covering half the face and giving a visor effect. Most of the veiling used was coarse, and there were unusual trimmings of large straw flowers and fruit.

Unusual Trends

There were two unusual trends—close-fitting tiny hats with side trimming or upstanding feather cockades at least the height of the hat; and neat fitting hats with a square appearance at the back, created by folding the crown at the top and sides. The picture hats, huge and beautiful, were some-times worn straight on the head showing hair at the back. Illustrated here are two models.

Side-way Look

Another trend widely developed was the slightly side-way look. This is achieved by exposing one ear, and sweeping the hair or felt forward to cover the other. From one side the face is almost hidden.

And the novelties? A small hat entirely made of birds' feathers, with the wavy brim entirely edged with dozens of feathery puffs. It was coloured like a mixed-thrush.

First Jap. Woman To Hold Overseas Post

Sumiko Tajima, 33, daughter of a Japanese educator, is Japan's first female appointee to an overseas service post. She is one of the four persons assigned to a new Japanese overseas agency in San Francisco—an office representing Japanese business interests.

Similar offices will be opened in New York, Los Angeles, Seattle and Honolulu. They will be the closest thing to Japanese diplomatic offices in the States—offices not possible, since Japan has no diplomatic status until a peace treaty is signed.

Miss Tajima took her unprecedented appointment modestly, remarking to Tokyo newsmen, "After all, I'm only going to be office manager." She added, a little nervously, "All women in Japan will be watching my success or failure."

She doubts if her appointment is any final triumph for "women's rights" in Japan. "You can't step out in a few years customs and traditions that have prevailed for centuries," she added. "I told the Vice Minister that—I would get homesick. He said I was too old for that."

Hands Need Frequent Creaming



Don't neglect your hands. To keep them soft and white, apply hand cream daily.

By HELEN FOLLETT

DO you know that, when you are going to a party, it is a grand idea to smooth some hand cream over the backs of your hands, up over the wrists and lower arms? The skin surface will look smooth, fine and white. The conscientious manicurist includes a bit of a hand treatment, and that is the medium she uses.

Gardening and outdoor play have a deplorable effect upon feminine mitts, especially as most women have a notion that hands require coddling only in the winter. A sad mistake. What about those discolorations left by the sun during summer? They have a way of staying by one. Moth patches, for instance. Like freckles, they are products of the warm season, grow fainter as the summer wanes. It is just as well to get after them with a bleaching cream or lotion.

No matter what you are using, do not be stingy either with the cosmetic or with the massage. Friction helps remove discolorations because it softens and loosens dead, yellowed skin scales. Vacationists, busy having fun, often skip the weekly manicure, so nails may have to have more than the usual attention. Before applying cuticle cream to the flesh surrounding the nails give the hands a scrubbing with warm soap suds and a brush. That little rite softens the flesh so that the cream sinks in and is more effective than if applied to a surface that is not warm and glowing.

Detach the cuticle from the nail fabric by sending the orange wood stick in little circles. Let us hope that no hang nails are present but, if you have to snip them away with the curved, needle-point scissors, clip from the nail base toward the edges so as not to make a wound.



Add Glamour To Your Food

THE first course was crystal clear beef consommé. "This has the delicious rich flavour of a strong bouillon," I commented. "It is undoubtedly the unusual combination of beefs with beef broth."

"And my friend Kustas has made it clear with the egg white and shall."

"The trick of the Chef we must have it for our readers." With the soup were passed slender cheese straws arranged in a quick, neat vegetable dolly covered plate. The entree was fillet of sole au gratin. The main dish was medallions of veal, served with string beans, and French fried potatoes.

Glamour Cooking

"Observe, Madame, we have here the glamour cooking, but still this dish is not too expensive for the average home. It is arranged like a picture on a white platter of blue-white Finnish china. The medallions are in a semi-circle, the green string beans are nestled in the curve. The crisp French fried potatoes are at one end, and back of the medallions and down one side are thin diagonal slices of cucumber with the rind, standing up like a fence. And see those slices of tomato. They are cut from the outside and each slashed in four places to look like a lobster claw. What a dash of colour they give!"

Dessert was a special delight. Ball of ice cream with a delicious red fruit sauce, served in a nest of pommery spun sugar. And for the benefit of our readers there was a second dessert, easy to make, a beautiful Finnish Apple Meringue cake. You will find the recipe in this column.

Dinner

Beef Bouillon Cheese Straws Medallions of Veal String Beans French Fried Potatoes Finnish Apple Meringue Cake Coffee or Tea Milk (Children) All Measurements Are Level Unless Stated Otherwise

Beef Bouillon
Wash 4 medium-sized beefs, and steam or pressure-cook until tender. Peel and mash fine or rub through a sieve. Add to 1 qt. clear strong soup stock, or 1 qt. boiling water containing 4 bouillon cubes and ½ c. chopped celery leaves. Simmer about 10 min. Put the liquid through a very fine strainer, and serve hot. This may be cleared if desired.

Cheese Straws
Sift together 2 c. cake flour, ½ tsp. salt and ¼ tsp. baking powder. Add 2/3 c. shortening, chop with a pastry blender until the mixture looks like cornmeal. Add ¼ c. grated sharp cheese. Stir in 1 unbeaten egg yolk; add 4 tbs. cold water,

Medallions of Veal

Order 1 lb. veal cutlet, or other tender cut, sliced ¼ in. thick. Cut into approximate medallion shape, that is rounds or ovals. (Save the trimmings for making a quick vegetable and vegetable stew.) Season the "medallions" of veal with salt and pepper, and either broil or fry about 10 min., or until tender. Place in an oiled baking pan. Meanwhile, make "medallion sauce." Spread this on the "medallions," and broil until it browns, about 5 min. Arrange on a large platter with whole green string beans, French fried potatoes, and a decoration of fresh tomato, parsley and thin-sliced cucumber, rind left on.

Medallion Sauce

Melt 2 tbs. butter or margarine in a small sauce pan. Stir in 4 tbs. flour, ½ tsp. salt, 1/3 tsp. pepper and a few grains nutmeg. Gradually stir in 1 c. milk. Then add 1/3 c. grated Swiss or American cheese and 1/3 c. fine chopped tinned mushrooms. Cook 5 min. Use as described above.

Finnish Apple Meringue Cake

Purchase or bake a thin sponge cake. If home-baked, use a 7" x 11" pan. When cool, cover with a layer of apple-sauce filling, a scant ½ in. thick. Top with Mille High Meringue; bake 12 min. in a slow oven, 325 F.

Apple-Sauce Cake Filling:
Heat ½ c. thick pureed apple sauce (home-made or tinned) until boiling. Stir in 1 ½ tbs. cornstarch dissolved in ¼ c. apple juice or cider. If the apple-sauce is not quite tart add a little lemon juice. Sweeten to taste and add ¼ tsp. cinnamon. Half cool before using. This is also an excellent filling for two layers of gingerbread or spice cake.

Trick of the Chef

To clear 1 qt. cold soup stock, place it in a sauce pan. Add one slightly beaten egg white mixed with the crushed egg shell. Stir until boiling. Boil 3 min. Reduce the heat and simmer 15 min. Strain through 3 thicknesses of cheesecloth.

African sergeant-majors fly 3,500 miles—to learn to bellow SQU-A-A-D

They Like Drill—But Not The Climate

Eight warrant officers and two sergeants, pick of the Royal West African Frontier Force, have flown 3,500 miles to Caterham, Surrey, to learn how drill is done in the Guards.

In 95 parades of 45 minutes each they will be put through six weeks of the Army's stiffest drill course. Then they will fly home again.

The ten West Africans—two of them are R.S.M.s, six C.S.M.s—are enjoying their first visit to England—even the drills. But they find our climate a little chilly.

"They are keeping on thick woollen underwear with ankle-length pants," said Captain E. D. Upson, who flew them over.

"And so that they do not shiver at night each has been given eight blankets to sleep in."

R.S.M. Murali Doba, R.S.M.



Put through their paces by Drill-Sergeant D. Lynch, D.C.M.—R.S.M. Doba, M.M., R.S.M. Numan, M.M., C.S.M. Dossa, M.M.

Bing Crosby Wants To Quit But Can't

By R. M. McColl

Paris, Apr. 22.

"You know," said 45-year-old Bing Crosby in Paris, "I'd like to retire right now. I mean it. But I just can't. It would mean too much disruption and hardship for many people. I've got to keep right on, like it or not."

I asked him what he is worth. He thought it over for nearly a minute. No coyness. He held up a steel-shafted driver and squinted along it.

"Let's see," he said. "Assuming I decided to liquidate tomorrow, I might be worth, I think, about a million and a half dollars in cash."

A smile glints through. "Pretty good for a very bad singer, don't you think?"

A CHARMING MAN...

Harry Lillis Crosby, worth £500,000, then, and wearing glittering expensive golf clothes, is an easy, keen-eyed, charming man.

As he poses for pictures in the courtyard of the Ritz Hotel, Argentine millionaires and French dukes peek excitedly through the windows.

For it is not every day that you can see Bing Crosby hefting the driver he will wield in the British Amateur Golf Championship—and hear him nonchalantly gurgling a few bars of song.

The golfing ensemble is a smasher. A huge bulbous plaid



BIG-BUSINESSMAN BING

"Practice? I never practiced anything in my life."

cap oozes down over his forehead. He wears a shaggy, coloured sweater over a canary yellow jersey with large collar. There are tan slacks, tartan socks and brown leather brogues.

He may wear this outfit for the British Amateur. "I can show up in a blue and grey combination," he says, "or may be brown or green. Trouble is I'm colour blind. I can't tell green from blue."

That £500,000 now. He is frank about the things he has to take into account in arriving at the figure:—

INDIAN'S LONG FAST

Village Huron, Quebec, May 3.—Jules Sioui, self-appointed leader of the North American Indian National Government, went into the 71st day of his hunger strike today weighing 58 pounds less than when he started.

He has refused to eat until the Prime Minister, Mr. Louis St. Laurent, stops "enslaving" the Indian people.

Sioui weighed 170 pounds at the start of his fast. He takes only a little sugared water each day.

His physician, Dr. Gaston Jean, said he probably could live another 30 days on his present diet.—United Press.

Bishop Yashiro For Australia

Tokyo, May 3.—Bishop Michael Yashiro left Tokyo by plane this morning for Australia and New Zealand.

The Episcopal Church Bishop is the first Japanese authorised officially to enter Australia or New Zealand since the war. He has been invited to attend the 100th anniversary celebration of the Episcopal Church in New Zealand.—United Press.

A Fortune Sizzled On His Stove

Kirkland Lake (Ontario). Millionaire Charlie Chow, Chinese cook who made a gold fortune out of his frying pan, had a jubilee the other day.

Old-timers of the North Ontario gold rush, two of them millionaires, came to Charlie Chow's hotel on Government Road, now called The Golden Mile, to celebrate the 28th birthday of the 40-room hotel.

Nearly, almost on top of the first gold workings, 8ft. Charlie opened a far-paper shack with eight stools in the mid.

Then millionaire - to - be William Wright was just an optimist from England. And Harry Oakes, a millionaire today, was an Australian immigrant trying his luck.

Oakes, who struck it rich, paid his miners half in cash, half in shares. They paid Charlie the cook only in shares.

STEAK MONEY

Aproned Charlie, frying-pan in hand, would stand pleading. "No more shares, no more shares." But the miners would throw scrip on his till.

There were fights. Men were thrown through the walls. Later Charlie learned to listen to news of gold strikes, and what shares to accept and to buy—for a steak.

The other night, Oakes and Wright teased Charlie and tried to find out how much he is worth. But Charlie Chow just grinned—the answer he has been giving for 25 years.

SUDANESE DEMAND FOR FREEDOM

Khartoum, May 3.—The National Bloc, which was recently formed by a combination of Unionists and Liberal Ashigga, has cabled the British Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin, and the Egyptian Prime Minister, Nahas Pasha, claiming to be representative of true Sudanese opinion which allegedly aims at a free Sudanese government in union with Egypt.

The cables declared that any Anglo-Egyptian settlement of the Sudan question will not be accepted by the Sudanese unless it fulfils all the demands. The Bloc also demanded an immediate Anglo-Egyptian declaration, to be endorsed by the United Nations, for the immediate evacuation of foreign troops.

It also demanded that the declaration include immediate liquidation of the present rule and establishment of a Sudanese democratic government which would shape the kind of rule acceptable to the Sudanese people.

The cables added that a memorandum supporting the demands would shortly be sent to the British and Egyptian Governments.—United Press.

FULL OF EDUCATION



THREE Barnard College students, in New York, compare their book-carrying baskets. Left to right, Martha Distelhurst, Nancy Jane Price and Ruth Schachter are among the students who have adopted the basket method of carrying school books. They claim it's a lot easier on the arm muscles. (Acme)

Gaelic Unpopular With The Irish

By Derry Moran

Dublin.

Gaelic, ancient language of Ireland, is disappearing from the everyday life of the nation, despite intensive efforts to revive it as the official language.

Once the vernacular of the whole island, Gaelic is now used as a medium by only a small minority of the population as a means of nationalist expression.

Even in the Gaeltacht, colourful west coast area until a decade or two ago completely Irish-speaking, English is being accepted as the everyday language of the people.

But despite the regression, its supporters are determined to establish Gaelic as the official vernacular of the nation.

These assert that without its own official language, Ireland is nothing more than the "western end of Britain." All indications are, however, that the vast mass of the population is quite content with English.

Driving power of the language movement. Is the Gaelic League, founded late last century by the Republic's first President, the late Douglas Hyde, to awaken nationalist feeling, then dormant in the population after more than 600 years of British administration.

The League's outgoing President, Diarmuid Mac Fhionnlaigh, bluntly charged that instead of the resources of the state being used for the promotion of the language, English was being "pushed" in every way.

Government advertising and ration coupons were produced in English only; English was for the first time on Irish postage stamps; there was a decline in the amount of Irish used in the civil service, and increase in the difficulties of the citizen desiring to practice the native language, he declared.

"With regret," Mac Fhionnlaigh also criticised the nation's Catholic clergy for an alleged lack of support for the language movement.

OTHER TARGETS Other targets for alleged lack of interest in the national language were the Government-run radio station, Radio Eireann, trade unions, commercial concerns and country and urban councils and boards.

The Government still gives money to the Irish movement, the large grants made by former Premier Eamon de Valera's Fianna Fail Government were drastically reduced when Cosgrave's government took office.

Irish is still taught as a compulsory language in schools. In the case of the vast majority of students, however, it is forgotten by the time they become adults. Only students going in for government posts, for which Gaelic is compulsory, retain its use.—United Press.

NEW BEEF LAND FOR BRITAIN

A great ranching estate in Bechuanaland's Kalahari Desert will provide succulent steaks and joints for the Sunday dinner in Britain, if the findings of experts who have just surveyed the territory are accepted.

The official report on the empty, unused Kalahari has gone to the Colonial Development Corporation. But it is a secret.

From the Bechuanaland Government secretary down, no one dare say a word.

The area earmarked for cattle raising—50,000 square miles—is inhabited only by roving bushmen, among whom a five-footer is a tall man, and a few Europeans, most of them in Government service.

If the plans go through, in a few years there will be Bechuanaland beef on British tables and less from the Argentine.

CATTLE NEEDED

The planners are prepared to treble the present beef production of the Protectorate.

For that they need 750,000 cattle in ranches each covering 640 square miles and holding 10,000 cattle.

Although this Kalahari is desert on the maps it is not Beau Geste country. Sweetgrass, excellent food for African breeds, grows five-feet high but is patchily distributed and needs nursing.

The rough tracks are too much for cars. Lorries are essential. The Bechuanaland police use camels for the toughest part of their bush beat of 275,000 square miles.

The Kalahari is healthy, with brilliant, mild winters. But

STRIKE HAD NO EFFECT

Rome, May 3.—The Communist-called, nation-wide half-hour general strike to protest against the killing of two peasants on Sunday ended at noon today without incident.

Except for the industrial north, where workers downed tools and halted production in factories, the strike had no effect on transportation and general business.

Some 5,000,000 members of the Communist-controlled General Confederation of Labour were ordered to cease work in protest against the death of two workers and the wounding of 21 others at Celano, in the Abruzzi region.—United Press.

HYDE PARK TULIPS



AMERICAN girl Rhae Sanders, of Charleston, South Carolina, with the tulips—in Hyde Park, London. (Express Service)

K. O. CANNON A NEW ADVENTURE—WITH WHISPER



Egypt May Buy Arms From Czechs

Cairo, May 3.—Egypt may buy arms from Russia and Czechoslovakia because the United States and Britain are hedging on weapons agreements, the independent newspaper Al-Ahram said today.

"Difficulties planted by Britain and the United States in Egypt's way on rearming herself are sufficient to induce her to accept generous Soviet offers to supply arms," the paper said in a front-page story.

Al-Ahram said Britain was demanding that Egypt help defend the Suez Canal and recognize Israel, to realise America's plans before supplying arms under the new agreement. It added that Britain also demanded constitutional reforms in the Sudan, which previously had been rejected by Egypt.—United Press.

Mother Is 14, Father 13

Nice, May 2.—Martha Canlie, aged 14, today gave birth to a healthy baby boy and revealed that the father was her 13-year-old farm neighbour, Robert Fabre. Fabre's parents objected to the marriage at least until Robert finished grammar school.—United Press.

MYSTERY REMAINS UNSOLVED



WHEN the five-masted schooner, Carol A. Deering, went ashore on Ocracoke Island, North Carolina, in 1921, its sails were set but none of the crew remained aboard. The mystery of what happened to this ship has never been solved and now, almost 30 years later, its remains can still be seen on the beach in the Cape Hatteras area. Its story is still a secret. (Acme)

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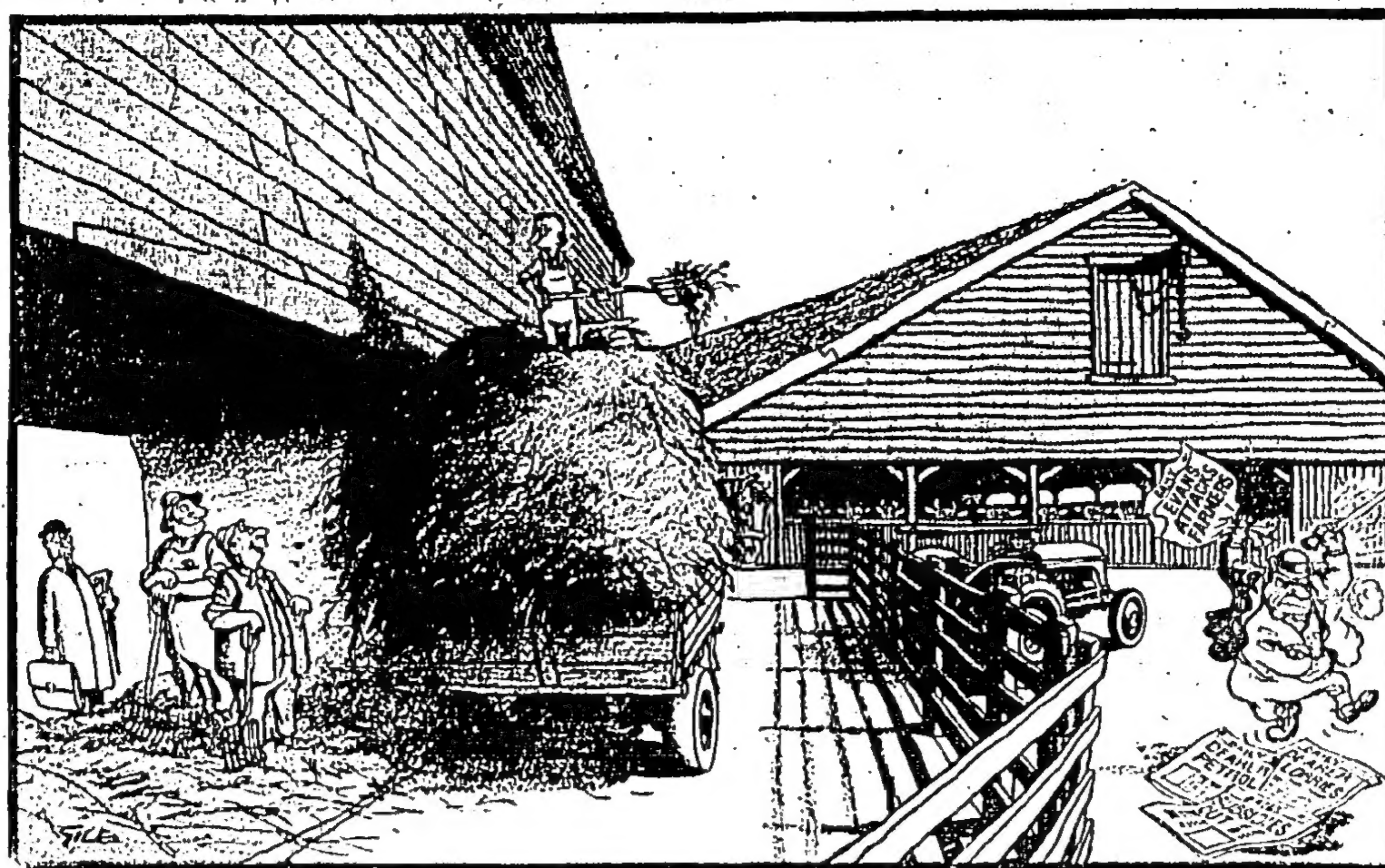
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London Express Service

How to talk your way in

• "There are three steps to be taken in launching and shaping a conversation...." Today's writer names them. In this last article of the series—designed to help those who become shy or speechless in a crowd—an accomplished author and broadcaster shows the way to easy and interesting conversation.

YEARS ago I remember asking Osbert Sitwell, already an Olympian figure, how to overcome one's shyness on entering a crowded room.

I also remember his reply. "You should always take care to enter the room backwards, waving to an imaginary friend in the hall. That will help break the social ice."

I tried it once, and all that happened was that I nearly broke my ankle. In my nervousness I had failed to observe that there were three steps leading down into the room where the party was being held.

Do you share?

SINCE then I have learned from much practical and sometimes bitter experience that there are always three steps that have to be taken in launching, in shaping, a conversation when we find ourselves among strangers, alone and momentarily at a loss.

It may be that you share my view that the major source of happiness in life springs from the art of communication. In any case, if you have five minutes, perhaps you would care to examine those three steps.

THE FIRST one is the effort you make yourself—and what an effort it can be—to open your mouth and say something that does not sound too silly for words.

THE SECOND is to persuade the person you have addressed to reply in a manner that will encourage—and not destroy all chances of—further conversation.

THE THIRD is to proceed from this tentative start into the smooth and stimulating rhythm of a well-balanced dialogue.

Now there are two views about the first step. Some people cling stubbornly to

Don't try this! says **Godfrey Winn**

the theory that in life the best form of defence is *toujours l'attaque*. (With, perhaps, a few French phrases thrown in to prove your utter sophistication.)

Jammed against a wall, in a room crowded with strange faces, you should turn to your neighbour and exclaim loudly how much you *love* the parties, adding even more aggressively that you can't think why you have come.

Even if you avoid the likely gaffe that you are addressing a close relation of your hostess, you achieve nothing, in my opinion, by such tactics, except to prove once more that the strongest motivating force of the human race lies in the mechanism of self-defence.

And what a fool it can make of one! For obviously your chance neighbour is only too conscious of why you are there; because you have been invited to enjoy free food and drink, and, far more important, in your breast burns the eternally-rekindled hope of making at least one new friend.

Help, please

WHY not admit that? Why pretend? Of course, you may be at that stage of self-development where you feel the best introduction is to ask your nearest companion for an olive, and then exclaim brightly that you always think an olive is like a love-affair: what is to be

done with the stone? That may sound all right on the stage, but...

Personally, after much trial by error, I am convinced that it is far better to go to the other extreme and admit frankly, humbly, that one is floundering and would be grateful for any support from anyone.

It is more than likely that you will strike someone in exactly the same predicament as yourself; moreover, if there is one better start to a conversation than a compliment, it is a cry from the heart for information, for help.

Stripey is glad

I PROVED this to myself once and for all in the war, when, like a multitude of other recruits, I found myself pitched into some very unfamiliar situations.

For instance, there was my first night on board H. M. S. Cumberland as a very ordinary seaman. I was a "sprag," and overwhelmingly aware of it. As I sat down on the extreme edge of a bench in Mess 15, my new home, I tentatively addressed the oldest face in sight, a face like a map of a thousand voyages.

I asked where I was to put my kitbag, whether there was any hope of my finding a "gash billet" for my hammock. I made it very clear to him that I was certain he knew all the answers, while I knew none. The technique worked (and it is a perfectly legitimate one). That three-badged stripey was delighted to show off in front of his mates. And the worst was over.

But I saw the reverse of those tactics put into motion when,

later on, other newcomers to the mess arrived, often less much younger than myself, who from shrewdly made the initial mistake of pretending to be tremendous old salts. It got them nowhere. Silence soon engulfed them.

They had got off to a bad start, and haven't you seen that same process occur a hundred times in Clivey Street?

Desperate

MIND, you can easily get off to a false start, and fall shire down, talking to a shepherd in his hut. How fascinating he was on his own subject of lambing, now in full spate.

That night passed as quickly as a train journey once between Liverpool and London, when the man opposite me, with the quicksilver expression and the bubbling voice, never drew breath while he poured forth to me all his very personal impressions of the life of a conductor, and the world of music.

All in one

It was Malcolm Sargent, and by the time we reached Euston I was completely caught up in his enthusiasm, his warmth, and his unself-consciousness, the three steps in one brave leap. Moreover, I learned a lesson that day I have never forgotten.

For in that other irrevocable journey, we are not all pilgrims who, through the art of communication on earth, are seeking the same way home? My own answer to that question mark is to remember something that Sid Field wrote a month before he died: "It is better to be pleasant than smart."

Yes, much better.
(London Express Service)

REPORTING THE U.S. SCENE

ONE RING A DAY

By C.V.R. Thompson

NEW YORK.
FROM now on the postman will ring only once. Postmaster-General Jesse Donaldson, once a postman himself, has ordered mail deliveries to be cut to one a day in all residential districts.

In reply to charges that this is taking this land of progress back to the "pony express" days, Mr. Donaldson says he cannot help it.

Congress will not let him charge more for letters, and it will not vote him any more money.

And the Post Office is losing nearly £300,000,000 a year. Nearly 10,000 postmen will lose their jobs.

THEY ARE angry in Harlem, and they are tittering in the "Gone With The Wind" country, down in the South.

And the reason for both reactions is, that Washington has not practised what it preaches about equal rights for whites and Negroes.

On the staff of the National Labour Relations Board, a Government agency, there worked a brilliant woman lawyer, Ruth Weyand.

Last year, Miss Weyand got married. Her husband, Leslie Perry, is a Negro. Now Miss Weyand has been sacked.

The order for her dismissal was issued by Robert Denham, general counsel to the board.

Mr. Denham, a man unpopular with labour because of his alleged hostility toward all unions, gave a simple explanation for his action. "For the good of the service," he said.

PRESIDENT TRUMAN'S daughter, Margaret, wrote a magazine article to defend her right to sing for a living. Answering charges that she was trading on her father's position, she replied: "If I were doing that I could easily earn two or three times as much as I expect to earn this year." Her income is estimated to be between £20,000 and £25,000 a year.

OFFICIALS of UNO have announced that advertisers will be permitted to sponsor broadcasts of UNO proceedings. One stipulation—the advertisements must be dignified.

ANTI-NOISE crusaders are boasting that they have almost driven one champion noise-maker from New York—the street musician. There are only six left, according to the League for Less Noise.

But the league confesses it has made little headway with a more modern menace—the man who loves to foot his car horn.

SORRY, nothing till August. That is what I heard at every shipping company in New York. Already every ship to Britain and the Channel ports is jammed. And from now till summer's end bookings are up nearly 45 percent, on last year, which was itself a good year.

It is just possible that the record in the lush year of 1929 may be broken this season. In 1929, 350,000 Americans went abroad and left nearly £70,000,000 worth of dollars in Europe.

TWO NEW YORKERS have already had their holiday in Europe. They are two spinster sisters, both over 65, who for the past ten years have lived off relief.

Tired of living in a city flat? provided for them, they spent the winter in Paris and Switzerland, paying for their passage (£170) from dole savings and money they made with needlework.

BUSINESS MAN Elmer Bobst urges men of middle age to take a tip from women and dye their hair. Not from vanity, but because there is a prejudice in business against hiring older men. The younger he looks, the better chance a man has of landing a job.

ENOUGH BRITAIN-HATERS cannot be found in New York to please Matthew Trey, the judge who arranges for British visitors to be picketed. He said the other day he had to cut down the number of pickets for Sir Basil Brooke, Northern Ireland's Prime Minister, so that the British Motor Show could be picketed.

THE MAN President Truman wants to make ambassador to Britain is trying to resign from his Government job. James Bruce, aged 57, a successful businessman, started public life as ambassador to the Argentine. He was criticised for being too friendly with the Argentine dictator. Then Truman made him director of the Atlantic Pact arms programme.

Bruce has told Truman he wants to get back to his 12 businesses. Truman is expected to let him go. If Ambassador Douglas resigns Bruce is still in line for the London job.

EVERYONE from Washington to Moscow will now have to talk louder to gain American attention. The baseball season has opened.

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Truman and Ali Khan may talk on aid to India

Washington, May 3.—The rapprochement between Karachi and Delhi following the recent meetings between Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru and Mr Liaquat Ali Khan, may offer wider scope for the forthcoming discussions between President Truman and the Pakistan Prime Minister next week, political quarters here believed today.

Based on the expectation of improved relations between India and Pakistan in future, these quarters believed that President Truman and Mr Liaquat Ali Khan may cover a wider field, especially in the matter of American co-operation in the economic development of South-East Asia and the Indo-Pakistan sub-continent.

Courts to settle Dutch differences

The Hague, May 3.—Holland today appointed by Royal decree three Dutch members for the Court of Arbitration in the Netherlands-Indonesian dispute.

They are: Professor J. Duncker of the Dutch Supreme Court; Professor L.J.C. Baars, member of the first Chamber of the Dutch State General; and Dr M. J. Prinsen, Secretary-General to the round-table conference on Indonesia last year.

The court is to "take cognisance of legal disputes brought before them by one of the partners against the other, or jointly by both partners, arising from the Union statute, from any agreement between the partners or from joint regulations," according to the round-table conference agreement setting up the Court.

The three Indonesian members of the Court are Dr K. Atmadjaja, Mr Wirjand Prodikus, and Mr Makam. Dr Atmadjaja is a member of the Indonesian High Court.—Reuter.

10,000 gold sovereigns disappear

Amsterdam, May 3.—Ten thousand gold sovereigns valued at \$47,000 have disappeared in the Red Sea port of Aden. No one knows what happened to them. A few weeks of inquiry have produced no clues.

Officials made the disappearance public today, one month after it took place, because they were then too busy trying to find out what happened to discuss the matter.

The sovereigns were owned by Rotterdam's Dankverzekering, Amsterdam's transport firm, Blomendijk. The Dutch airline, KLM, flew the shipment to Cairo and from there another airline flew it to Aden. A few days later, the Dutch bank received a cable reading: "The sovereigns were lost in Aden."—United Press.

Political battle in Alabama

Washington, May 3.—Southern Democrat and pro-Truman candidates were locked in a bitter battle to-night for the political control of Alabama.

President Truman's "fair deal" programme already had suffered one crushing blow with the defeat of Senator Claude Pepper in the Florida primary elections by Congressman George Smathers.

After his victory in the primaries, which in the Democratic South virtually assured him election to the Senate, the 36-year-old Congressman promised to transfer his fight for "our kind of democracy" from the House of Representatives to the Senate. He campaigned on a platform against big government and for "free enterprise."

In Alabama, the crucial battle for control of the majority of seats in the all-powerful State Democratic Executive Committee went through its second day. While both sides raced neck and neck, the "loyalist" Democratic object to national Democratic policy but want to fight it out inside the family—hold the lead in 41 contests at the latest count.—United Press.

Talks on the H-Bomb



Acting Chairman Sumner Pike, of the Atomic Energy Commission (right), leans over the table to talk to members of the Joint Congressional Atomic Energy Committee as it met in extraordinary session in New York. Simultaneous with this meeting, came President Truman's announcement that America was to go ahead with its work on the H-Bomb.

EMRYS HUGHES GOES OFF AGAIN

Israeli rumours denied

London, May 3.—The Foreign Office on Wednesday emphatically denied Israeli reports that Britain had stopped a European country from supplying jets to Israel.

A Foreign Office spokesman said there "is absolutely no truth in such reports and claims. Israel is free to buy arms, including planes, in any country."

He also denied that any representations had been made by Britain in the United States against arm supplies to Israel.—United Press.

Israel's reply on deadlock expected soon

Geneva, May 3.—The United Nations Palestine Conciliation Commission expects to receive at the end of this week Israel's reply to a commission proposal for new procedure in an effort to break the deadlock in the Arab-Israeli peace talks here.

Informed sources said it was understood that the Israeli draft was near completion in Jaffa and Tel-Aviv. The Commission proposed that the Arab agree to direct negotiations with Israel under a trilateral procedure by which a representative of the Commission would also sit in.

The commission also proposed that two factions authorise it to turn from conciliation to mediation. If the Israeli proposal receives support, the talks will get under way in the immediate future. The representatives of the four Arab states at talks—Egypt, Syria, Lebanon and Jordan—are in Geneva but no Israeli delegate has been appointed.—United Press.

SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"I can't promise that I'll never fight again, but I can promise that I'll fight Jimmy Murphy again!"

KASHMIR MEDIATION

New York, May 3.—Sir Owen Dixon, the United Nations Kashmir Mediator, has been holding talks with high United Nations officials before he leaves for India, probably towards the end of the week.

The President of the Security Council, Mr Mahmoud Bey Fawzi, gave a luncheon today to enable Sir Owen to meet all its members and Admiral Chester Nimitz, the Publicity Administrator.

Sir Owen will also meet Sir Benegal Narayan Rau, India's permanent delegate, who is expected to arrive in New York tomorrow, after spending a month in India. After his talks with the United Nations representative, Sir Benegal will go to a clinic at Rochester, Minnesota, for a physical examination, which may keep him there for about a week.—Reuter.

Australia Mixed On Communist Outlawry

Melbourne, May 3.—Australia's Labour Party caucus, meeting in Canberra to decide the Party's policy towards the Government's bill to outlaw Communism, gave up until tomorrow after three hours' discussion this morning.

The meeting adjourned when the Parliamentary session opened but the Labour leader, Mr Joseph B. Chifley, said that many more Party members still wished to speak on the bill.

The Melbourne Herald's Canberra correspondent said that the debate revealed wide differences of opinion.

The Communist-controlled Central Council of Miners' Federation in Sydney today called on miners throughout Australia to hold meetings tomorrow and take "any action deemed necessary" on the Government's bill to outlaw Communism.

The Council also directed its Central Executive to call mass meetings later to organise resistance in case any attempt be made under the bill or any other law to attack any individual or section of the labour movement.—Reuter.

INDONESIA DEMANDS "TURCO"

Singapore, May 3.—Indonesia today formally demanded the extradition of Raymond Paul Westerling, former Dutch captain who organised a revolt in Indonesia.

Dr R. Otoyo, Indonesian representative in Singapore, said the demand was presented on the order of the Indonesian Ministry of Defence.—United Press.

Radio Hongkong

8. "Hong Kong Calling"—Programme Summary; 9.02. "Hit Parade"—The Voice of America; 9.30. La Demi-heure Francaise (Studio); 7. "Time for Music"—BBC Midland Light Orchestra (Studio); 7.30. "Have a Go"—A Quiz Programme—Introduced by Notingham (NBCT); 8. World News and News Analysis (London Studio); 8.15. "Hong Kong Hand Call"—Introduced by Captain David Jones (Studio); 9.45. "Sports Report" by Bill Phillips (Studio); 9. "From the Editorials" (London Studio); 9.15. Weather Report; 9.15. "At the Opera"—Faust by Gounod, Act 4 and 5. With the Principal Members of the Opera, Paris conducted by Henri Busser; 10.20. Book Talk by Ruth Kirby (Studio); 10.35. "Thursday Serenade"—A Programme of Continuous Music. Arranged by Betty Brown; 11. Radio News from London; 11.15. Weather Report; 11.30. World News and Home News from Britain (Record Relay); 11.30. Close Down.

Indians In S. Africa

New Delhi, May 3.—The Government of India recently addressed a communication to the South African Government on the group areas reservation Bill which has been introduced in the Union Parliament, and in awaiting a reply, it was authoritatively learned here today.

Indian Government circles said that the Bill, when enacted, would add to the disabilities of Indians in South Africa, from whom a number of representations had been received. The Government of India is also in correspondence with the Union Government on the date and place of the proposed round-table conference between India, Pakistan and South Africa on the South African Indian question.—Reuter.

"TACTICAL MOVE" BY RUSSIA

London, May 3.—A Foreign Office spokesman today said that Britain hopes that Mr George Zorublin, the Soviet deputy to the Austrian Treaty talks, will announce progress in the negotiations between Austria and Russia when the four Foreign Ministers' deputies resume their discussions on the Austrian Peace Treaty here tomorrow.

The spokesman had been asked why he thought Russia had called for a further meeting of the deputies tomorrow instead of waiting until May 22, the date originally fixed by the Western Powers.

Diplomatic quarters here fear the Russian move is purely tactical, designed to suggest that the Soviet Government is anxious for a settlement.—Reuter.

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McKENNEY ON BRIDGE

Cross-Ruff Needs Expert Timing

By WILLIAM E. McKENNEY
TUE other day I found a hand which had been played by Col. Richard H. Skinner of Alexandria, Va., who was president of the American Contract Bridge League in 1944.

There is an old saying that many a man in walking the streets of London because he failed to test trump. Skinner proved that is not always true in today's hand. He cross-ruffed the hand and I think he timed it very well.

The opening lead of the eight of diamonds was won by Skinner (sitting South) with the king when East correctly refused to play the ace, which would have established two diamond tricks for declarer.

The second king of clubs were then cashed by declarer, and on the king dummy's seven of diamonds was discarded. The nine of hearts was led and won with

the queen in dummy. The king of hearts was cashed and Skinner discarded his three of diamonds. Next he led the ace of hearts. East ruffed with the three of spades and Skinner over-ruffed with the five-spot.

The three of clubs was led and ruffed in dummy with the deuce of spades. The three of hearts came back and when East refused to ruff, declarer won the trick with the six of spades. He now gave up a diamond trick, throwing East in the lead. East decided to try to stop some of the cross-ruffing, so he led the king of spades, which declarer won with the ace.

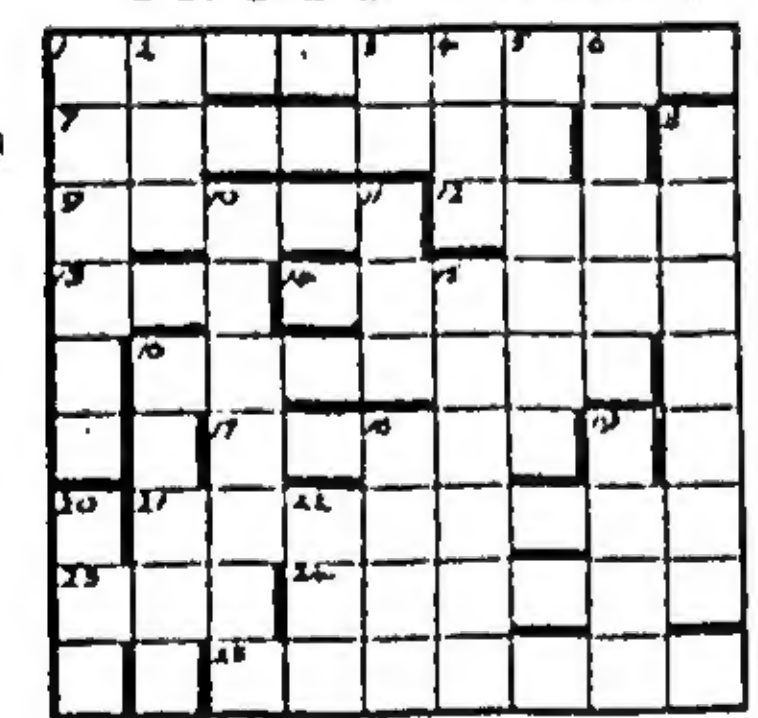
Now the nine of clubs was trumped in dummy with the ten of spades. East, still hoping to make two spade tricks, refused to over-ruff. The six of hearts was led from dummy and now East was helpless. If he trumped with the queen, declarer won the trick with the jack of spades. If he trumped with the nine-spot, as he did, declarer would over-ruff with the jack, concede the last trick to East, and make five-odd, for top score on the board.

Check Your Knowledge

1. From what is agar-agar obtained?
2. What was Columbus seeking on his voyage to America?
3. Where was the Unconditional Surrender Conference (World War II) held?
4. What is a charmpignon?
5. Can you name a game that is played with two fingers?
6. How does a baby bird crack its shell?

(Answers on Page 8)

CROSSWORD



- Across
1. I sink a toe to solve this. (11)
 2. To reveal nothing is to err. (7)
 3. Evidently wrong. (4)
 4. It returns round about a ten. (4)
 5. She trades a sheltered existence. (3)
 6. Could be coming out not on the tide. (3, 3)
 7. It makes a pale out. (7)
 8. When Braki goes to this it's motive is honest. (5)
 9. After a good fall of snow, out it comes. (10)
 10. Ever orieally put. (3)
 11. I lost in when eating anything. (6)
 12. It's up to doing some mischief. (7)
- Down
1. Apparently suitable fruit for a Negro. (5)
 2. Another name for a perch. (3)
 3. Free-war comedy. (4)
 4. It may be a trap. (3)
 5. Pie to till. (6)
 6. To carry inside a car must be this. (5)
 7. A good horse to get on. (7)
 8. It's always the same. (7)
 9. Bit of comeback for pussy. (9)
 10. When gosse congregate you eat out. (4)
 11. He may be just the one to prate. (5)
 12. Vex. (4)
 13. Main for the lady please it. (7)
 14. A good time for a ship to return. (5)
 15. You will find one in the Board of Trade. (3)

- Solution of yesterday's puzzle—Answers
1. Brandy
 2. Wren
 3. Ode
 4. Bait
 5. Bait
 6. Bait
 7. Bait
 8. Bait
 9. Bait
 10. Bait
 11. Bait
 12. Bait
 13. Bait
 14. Bait
 15. Bait

DUMB BELLS

SO HE'S BEEN IN JAIL TWO WEEKS. WHAT'S CHARGE?



YOUR BIRTHDAY... By STELLA

THURSDAY, MAY 4

If you are born today, the indications are for a good business success. You have an alert, quick mind and set down to basic facts without too much musing around with unimportant details. You are adaptable to conditions. Yet, if you don't like things as they are, you make a definite effort to improve them rather than sinking your energies into getting along with the status quo.

You have a genial nature and a magnetic personality. You make friends easily although a certain natural reserve holds you from intimacy with all except those who have been accepted into your circle of real friends. You are likely to be the centre of some small group of associates who admire you, perhaps exorbitantly. Their influence probably will be considerable, for you have the faculty of attracting influential and important people.

TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 21)

There are changes in the air, but your best policy lies in conservatism for now. Exert caution.

GEMINI (May 22-June 22)

New opportunities arise, but check everything carefully before deciding. Intuitions are a good guide.

CANCER (June 23-July 23)

Be prudent in the morning's activities. Partnerships are beneficial—especially those in the domestic realm.

LEO (July 24-Aug. 23)

Avoid being picked into showing signs of irritability. Calmness and diplomacy will pay good dividends now.

VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 23)

Be conservative now and make future plans for expansion with care and in great detail.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)

Haste only makes waste this morning. Be deliberate in all you undertake. Things are better in the afternoon.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 23)

Exert caution this morning. Then you may embark upon a journey which can be beneficial to you.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 22)

Guard against being too impulsive. Better give an impression of reserve.

NOT SO VERY DIFFICULT

By T. O. HARE
"What's the dominant fifth?" asked Dimo, as his daughter Cicely came in from school. Cicely blushed. "Just a secret society," she said. "I'm one of the vice-presidents."

DOMINANT FIFTH

BEANS, SEVENTH, OATME, SEVENTH, TAOLE

"How did you manage to read it?" asked Cicely.

"The code is only known to about eight of us."

"Change it," said Dimo.

"Any fool can read that. This may be an exaggeration. But it's not a difficult code."

Can you decipher it?

(Solution on Page 8)

CHESS PROBLEM

By A. KRAMER

Black, 8 pieces.



White, 10 pieces.

White to play and mate in two.

Solution to yesterday's problem:

1. Kt—B3, any; 2. B (ch, or dis ch), or Kt mates.

RECORDED MUSIC

Exploring the works of young Beethoven

THERE'S been a bit of phonographic exploring lately among the works of the young Beethoven. Rewarding projects, all.

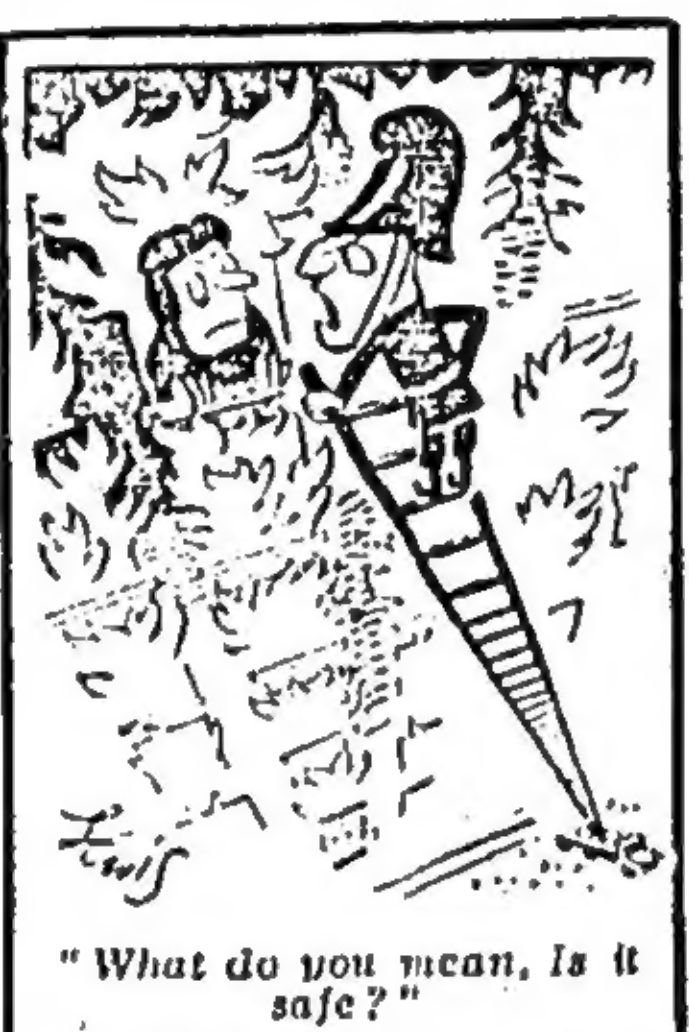
One is the Notturmo which the master himself arranged for viola and piano from his Trio, Opus Seven, composed in his 20th year.

William Primrose and David Sinner play it. Pre-Eroica Beethoven has a formalism which invites inflexibility of line and contour. This can, and often does, suppress content. Indeed, if you've ever heard inept performers of the Notturmo, you'll be surprised by its freshness and its multiplicity of lights and shades in this performance, thanks to the free Primrose bowing and uninhibited modulations (RCA Victor; three 12-inch 78 rpm's or three 7-inch 45 rpm's).

URGENT GIANT

No less warning to a Beethoven worshipping because it, too, transmits the sense of the giant tearing urgently at his musical swaddling clothes, is the playing of Arturo Balsam, piano, Daniel Gulett, violin, and Andre Navarra, cello, have given to the trio with the dramatic designation, Opus One (No. 2). A first recording, this (Concert Hall, 12-inch LP).

Better known than these is the seventh violin-piano sonata in C major, Opus 30, No. 2. Existing recordings were unsatisfactory for one reason or another: largely that of age, and this new one by Joseph Szigeti, violin, and Mieczyslaw Horszowski, piano, can be welcomed with enthusiasm even though it merely is a conventional performance by first-rate artists. (Columbia; three 12-inch 78 rpm's or one 10-inch LP).



London Express Service.

BY THE WAY

by Beachcomber

AN article giving examples of high courage made me think of two astonishing incidents. The Duc de Biron, before setting out from the prison to be guillotined, ordered a bottle of wine, and offered a glass to the executioner. "You must need a lot of courage for a job like yours," he said.

Venus in the Ascendant

(XIX)

EGHAM was clever enough to pretend he had not seen the tell-tale blueprint, and Ding-Poos was clever enough to pretend that she didn't know he had seen it. But Bumpo picked it up, and said with elaborate sangroid: "Ah! the plans for the new gun for harpooning whales." "Is that what it is?" asked Egham uncomfortably. With a mocking smile Ding-Poos drawled, "I expect our distinguished merchant-victor thought it was some dreadful secret weapon."

Why does it say "Top Secret?" asked Egham. "My dear Shra-Hu, replied Bumpo amiably, "we don't want every country to go about the place harpooning things with our device." All this time the "Cod Director" was peering with fear and anxiety, while trying to look like a Fish Executive. At that moment there came a knock at the door, and a large man put his head into the room, and said, as though repeating a lesson: "Is it the order of the Cod Director that I round up the strays and fill them?" "Go along," replied Bumpo, said the Director in a strangled voice. All this was a bit too much for an eminent plutologist.

—London Express Service.

PEKING MAKES DEAL WITH KAILAN MINES

San Francisco, May 3.—The Chinese Communists' state-owned Coal and Building Materials Company and the Kailan Mining Administration have signed a one-year agreement affecting the export and domestic distribution of coal, Peking Radio reported tonight.

Opposes Gold Price Hike

Washington, May 3.—The Executive Board of the International Monetary Fund today recommended the rejection of South Africa's proposal to increase the price of gold.

Its present price is \$35 an ounce.

The Board also recommended the rejection of South Africa's proposal to allow gold producing countries to sell half their gold output at whatever price could be obtained above the pegged rate.—Reuter.

NEW YORK RUBBER

New York, May 3.—Rubber futures today turned reactionary after early steadiness and closed 65 to 70 points lower on sales totalling 235 contracts.

Prices closed as follows:—
May (in cents) 25.50 bid
June 25.20 nominal
July 24.50 nominal
August 23.50 nominal
September 22.50-70 traded
October 22.50 nominal
November 21.50 nominal
December 21.50 traded
January (1951) 21.50 nominal
February 21.50 nominal
March 21.50 nominal
April 21.50 nominal
SPOT 21.50
—United Press.

At Singapore

Singapore, May 3.—Prices in the rubber market here today closed as follows:—

Number 1 rubber, May, 73-75-75
(per lb.) 71-75
June 71-75
July 69-71
August 68-70
September 67-69
October 66-68
November 65-67
December 64-66
January (1951) 64-66
February 64-66
March 64-66
April 64-66
Blanket C. rep. 64-66
No. 1 pale crepe. —United Press.

NEW YORK EXCHANGE.

New York, May 3.—Closing rates were:—

Canada (dollar)	US\$0.90-3/16
England (sterling)	US\$1.48-1/2
France (franc)	US\$0.021-1/2
Germany (mark)	US\$0.048-1/2
Italy (lira)	US\$0.002-1/2
Japan (yen)	US\$0.007-1/2
Netherlands (guilder)	US\$0.37-1/2
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